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## Intimations.



A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,  
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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

Wholesale and Retail Druggists,  
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FAMILY DISPENSING AND  
GENERAL CHEMISTS.  
PERFUMERS  
PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS,  
SEEDSMEN,  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,  
MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED  
WATERS

By STEPHEN MAURIN

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In submitting an abridged Synopsis of a few of the chief lines of goods included in our business, we beg to state that we import Drugs, Chemicals, and Goods of every kind of the best description only—no other quality is kept in stock.

Our long experience and intimate acquaintance with the Trade, and the best sources of supply, enable us to purchase direct from the Producers on the very best terms, and thus give us an advantage which enables us to offer our constituents the benefit of a considerable reduction in the price of all our Specialties as compared with similar articles sold elsewhere.

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Experienced qualified English Assistants only are employed in the preparation and dispensing of Med. cines.

Analysis of all Kinds.—We are in a position to well attend to the interests of our Clients.

FAMILY & DOMESTIC MEDICINES,  
AND OTHER GOODS AND APPLIANCES  
KEPT IN STOCK.

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REQUISITES.

Infants' Feeding Bottles, Datto Brushes and Tubs, Food Warmers, Lamps, and Night-lights.

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Condensed Milk, Corn Flour, Bermuda Arrowroot, Russian Isinglass, Prepared Grouts, Genuine Mustard, &c.

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APPLIANCES, &c.

Chloroform, Balsam, and Earthware.

Bed Pans, Disinfectants and Medicated Toilet Papers, Fumigating-Pastilles, Vaporizers, &c., &c.

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Chemical, Clinical, and Bath Thermometers.

Six's Minimum and Maximum Thermometers, Alcoholometers, Barometers, Galvanometers, Hydrometers, Lactometers, Urimeters, Specific Gravity Bottles, Flasks, Test Tubes, Test Papers, &c., &c.

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with Blue, Green, and Smoked Glasses. Eye  
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Medicine Chests for family and travellers' use.

Ships' Medicine Chests fitted in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Trade.

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Magneto-Electric Machines for the Cure of Nervous Diseases, Neuralgia, Rheumatism, &c.

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We always have on hand a varied assortment of these kinds in most general demand.

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We import regular supplies of Pure Fresh Calf Lymph by every Mail from England.

Vaccine Linctus, and Vaccination Shields.

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DISINFECTED CARBON FILTER CO.'S AND

MASSON & SWAN'S (Patent).

In Glass and Terra Cotta for Table use, Earthenware for ordinary Domestic Purposes.

Pocket Filters for Travellers.

## Intimations.

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Razor Strops, Paste, and Perfumes.

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Smelling Bottles of all kinds.

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richsh, Hunyadi Janos, Pulina, Vicki,

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Materials of all kinds available for Amateurs and Professionals, including Cameras,

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AND TRAVELLERS. Three sizes, viz. 3/4, 1/2,

and whole plate. Complete in strong Wood Cabinets.

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ton & Wainwright's kept in Stock.

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We import the newest and best varieties

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Our Factory has been recently refitted with automatic Steam Machinery of the latest and most approved kind, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English Makers.

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We invite attention to our fine old hand

Brands, all of which are of excellent quality

and good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

Price list to be had on application.

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Machines, and a varied assortment of Smokers' Requisites.

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Whenever practicable, are despatched by fast steamer leaving after receipt of order.

Most articles can now be sent by the local Post. All retail orders of the value of five dollars and upwards are sent freight or postage paid.

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graph.

Advised Envelopes, Order Forms, and

Aerated Water Counterfoils applied to

application.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LTD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

HONGKONG

# THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Entertainments.

**THE FISH JUBILEE SINGERS!**  
TO-MORROW! TO-MORROW!  
THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

**TO-MORROW EVENING,**  
25th February, 1890,  
AND ON

**Following Nights.**

FOR A SHORT SEASON ONLY!  
WITH A CHANGE OF PROGRAMME  
EVERY EVENING.

Dress Circle and Stalls, 82  
Second Seats, 1

Plan and Tickets at MESSRS. KELLY &  
WALSH, LIMITED; or at the Theatre upon  
evenings of Concerts.

Doors open at 8.30; Concert at 9; Chairs  
at 11 p.m.

**TO-MORROW! TO-MORROW!**  
THE FISH JUBILEE SINGERS!  
Hongkong, February 23, 1890. 348

**AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.**

**ALI BABA,**  
AND THE  
FORTY THIEVES.

**THE FINAL PERFORMANCE**  
of the above PANTOMIME  
will take place on

**SATURDAY,**  
the 1st March, at 9 p.m.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m.

Tickets can be obtained at MESSRS. LANE,  
CRAWFORD & CO.'s, on and after Thursday,  
February 20th, at 11 a.m.

Hongkong, February 17, 1890. 347

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**CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.

**THE** First Ordinary Yearly MEETING  
of the SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held at the HONGKONG  
HOTEL on THURSDAY, the 6th  
March, at 12.30 p.m.; for the purpose of  
presenting the Report of the Directors and  
Statement of Accounts for 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 24th instant to  
the 6th March, both days inclusive.

**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,**  
Agents in Hongkong & China,  
Hongkong, February 19, 1890. 336

**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the  
Annual MEETING of SHARE-  
HOLDERS will take place at the HONGKONG  
HOTEL on FRIDAY, the 28th of February,  
1890, at 4 o'clock, to receive the Report  
and Statement of the Accounts of the  
Company to the 31st of December, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th  
day of February, both days inclusive.

**J. FOREMAN,**  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, February 12, 1890. 282

**CHINA SUGAR REFINING**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE**

**THE** Twelfth Ordinary Annual MEET-  
ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held at the OFFICE  
of the General Agents, PEDDER'S STREET, on  
THURSDAY, the 6th March, at 11.30 a.m.,  
for the purpose of receiving a Report from  
the General Agents, with a Statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 21st February to  
the 6th March, both days inclusive.

**JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,**  
General Agents,  
Hongkong, February 14, 1890. 290

**LUZON SUGAR REFINING**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

**NOTICE**

**THE** Eighth Ordinary Annual MEET-  
ING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held at the OFFICE  
of the General Agents, PEDDER'S STREET, on  
THURSDAY, the 6th March, at 11.30 a.m.,  
for the purpose of receiving a Report from  
the General Agents, with a Statement of  
Accounts to the 31st December, 1889.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 21st February to  
the 6th March, both days inclusive.

**JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,**  
General Agents,  
Hongkong, February 14, 1890. 300

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

**THE** Seventh Ordinary General MEET-  
ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be  
held at the OFFICE of the Company, Praya  
Central, on SATURDAY, the 8th March,  
at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a  
Report from the General Managers, declaring  
Dividends and other Consulting Com-  
mittees and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to 8th  
Proximo, both days inclusive.

**RUSSELL & CO.,**  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, February 18, 1890. 326

**TO-day's Advertisements.**

**ORAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,**  
FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargos and Passengers at through rates  
from NINGPO, CHIENFOO, NEW  
CHIANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW  
and Ports on the YANGTSE.)

The Go's Steamship  
"Oran,"  
Captain JACKSON, will be  
despatched as above at  
4 p.m. TO-MORROW, the 26th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1890. 325

## To-day's Advertisements.

**THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL**  
STEAM NAVIGATION COM-  
PANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA.

The Go's Steamship  
"Ningchow," Wm. DUNIN, Com-  
mander, will be despatched about the  
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 25th  
Inst., at 9 a.m.

For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,  
Agents.

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**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENSIN VIA SWATOW.

The Go's Steamship  
"Yensong," Captain SLESSOR, will be  
despatched about the above Ports on  
WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

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**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Go's Steamship  
"Hailoong," Capt. GODDARD, will be  
despatched for the above Ports on  
THURSDAY, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LALPRAH & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 24, 1890. 329

**SEALLED TENDERS** in Duplicate, will  
be Received at H. M. NAVAL YARD,  
10 a.m. on WEDNESDAY the 5th March,  
from Persons desirous of SUPPLY-  
ING the Undersigned ARTICLES for the  
Use of H. M. NAVY for the Year  
1890-91.

BISCUIT, FRESH MILK,  
SOFT BREAD, RASPBERRIES,  
FLOUR, RICE, SUGAR,  
FRESH BEEF, AND  
POZATOS, FRESH WATER.

Printed Forms of Tenders, and further  
Particulars can be obtained at the Naval  
Storekeeper's Office.

The right to reject the lowest or any  
Tender is reserved.

W. H. LOBB,  
Naval & Victualling Storekeeper.

Hongkong Naval Yard,  
24th February, 1890. 325

**WAII LOONG,**  
COMPRADORE  
AND  
GENERAL DEALER.

**BEST PROVISIONS** supplied  
at the shortest notice.

No. 3, VICTORIA STREET, CENTRAL,  
HONGKONG.

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**DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA**  
LIMITED.

**AERATED WATER**  
MANUFACTURERS, WINE & SPIRIT  
IMPORTERS.

**PHOTOGRAPHIC SUNDRIES:**

PERFECTIVE.

**DARK ROOM CANDLE LAMP.**

Quite fine from small, gives less heat  
and more light than the ordinary lamp,  
quite safe for use with the most sensitive  
films. White light available in an instant  
whenver required.

By removal of the colour glass it becomes  
a handsome and effective reading  
lamp.

**ALBUMINIZED PAPER**, all sizes.

**VULCANIZED FORGE'S FOR LIFTING**  
PLATES.

**CAMEL HAIR BRUSHES**, flat.

**DEVELOPING CUPS, TRAY & DIES.**

**EDDITIVE FUNNELS, TRAYS, &c.**

**FILTERING PAPER**, all sizes.

**GLASS-CUTTING** and **SHAPING**  
PLATES, &c.

**BRIMIDE PAPER.**

**ILFORD**

**RAPID OR ORDINARY DRY PLATES.**

WAII & WAINWRIGHT'S

**INSTANTANEOUS DRY PLATES.**

TELEPHONE No. 60.

No. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD

CENTRAL. 360

**SHIPPING.**

ASHVILLE.

February 23, 1890.—

Kiung Lee, Chinese steamer, from  
Whampoa.

Act. Danish steamer, from Macao.

Act. Russian gunboat, from Macao.

Taiyuan, British steamer, 1,459, Netton,  
Nagasaki February 18, Coal and General.

Double Iron BEDSTED, Chinese  
MAR-TOF WASHING STAND and DRESSING  
TABLES, BEDROOM FURNITURE, &c.

IRON COOKING STOVES and UTENSILS,  
&c.

IRONWARE.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the  
Sale, and the above will be on view on  
Saturday next p.m.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

G. R. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

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**THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL**  
STEAM NAVIGATION COM-  
PANY, LIMITED.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL  
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. "Ningchow," having  
arrived from the above Ports, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby informed that  
their Goods are being landed at their risk  
into the Godowns of the HONGKONG  
AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,  
LIMITED, Kowloon, whence delivery may  
be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the  
Goods have left the Godowns, and all  
Claims must be sent to the Office of the  
Underwriters, before Noon on the 3rd  
March, when they will not be recognized.

All broken, unsafe and damaged Goods  
are to be left in the Godowns, when they  
will be examined on the 3rd March, at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and  
any Goods remaining in the Godowns after  
the 3rd March will be subject to re-  
bate.

Optimal Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 4  
p.m. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,  
Agents.

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## To-day's Advertisements.

**THE SHARK FISHERY COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.

IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General  
MEETING of the Company will be held at their Office, No. 36 Queen's Road  
Central, at Four o'clock in the Afternoon  
TO-MORROW, the 25th February, 1890, for the purpose of having laid before them  
the accounts showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted,  
and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may  
be given by the Liquidator.

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,  
Liquidator.

Hongkong, February 24, 1890. 346

**FOURTH DAY'S RACES.**

HACK RACE—Presented by the HONG-  
KONG JOCKEY CLUB, value \$100.

Entrance \$5, to go to the Second Pony,

for all China Ponies, owned by Members of

the Hongkong Jockey or Polo Club, not

otherwise entered at this meeting; to be

## THE CHINA MAIL.

The German men-of-war *Carola* and *Sophia* are expected to arrive at Singapore at the beginning of next month.

The Russian cruiser *Admiral Nachim* left here yesterday for Amoy, and the Russian corvette *Kreyscer* arrived yesterday from Macao.

"It has been settled," says the *Flowers Mail* of 29th January, "that the Chinese Ambassador will visit Calcutta next month (Feb.) when the negotiations on the Sikkim question will be finally closed."

Another attempt is being made in Peking to open now the audience question, and a joint note is shortly to be presented to that diplomatic buffer, the Tenui-li Yamen, which interposes between the Emperor and the outside world, to present the request of Foreign Ministers to be allowed to tender their congratulations in person to the Throne upon the 'completion' of the first year of His Majesty Kuang-Han's reign. Whether the request will be acceded to or not remains to be seen.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

The Netherlands Indies Government intends to go on with its prospecting in Flores, and the mining engineer who lately came back from there unsuccessful owing to the hostility of the natives, has been directed to return with a strong military escort. A detachment of troops will accompany him to bring under the islanders whose opposition had daunted the prospecting party. The natives showed fight, and bloodshed ensued before they gained their ends. The military force on the way needs to be strong to overawe the enemy.

The other day in East Java, a band of contraband opium dealers passing through jungle saw two tigers following them hard. They lost not a moment in hastening their steps, but the least number of them found the beasts of prey at his heels when he spied a tiger trap. He crept into it with the forbidden freight on his back. The trap shut the closer for the heavy weight, and when danger no longer threatened, the fellow thought he could lift the door of the trap, but all his efforts proved unavailing. Next day the relation reported to see it clasped in the hope of finding a tiger caught. Their joy no bounds when the prize proved to be a smuggler with 30 catties of opium.

A letter from Tientsin states that since time ago the Victor Li Hung-chang laid in Mr. Tung King-Sing's hands some funds to construct a railway from Liu Sce to Dong Koo, in connection with the Kuiping Coal Mines. But at that time the funds were insufficient, so the road was only laid for about ten miles, and more capital was required in order to carry it to Dong Koo, a distance of about 80 miles. The Victor has now placed another sum of £100,000 Government money, in the hands of the railway authorities to be employed in making the necessary extension. Work will be commenced at once, and when this connection is finished, the Kaiping coal can be easily transported to the market for sale.—*Native paper*.

This sum nominally earned by the sixty-nine schools examined under the conditions of the Grant-in-Aid scheme exceeds the balance of the vote available for that purpose (£18,743.75) by £1,043.90, and the Grants have accordingly been subjected to a pro rata reduction of 5 per cent. The reason for this arrangement is that in Daraput No. 211, of 30th December 1882, the Secretary of State laid down the rule "that the sum of money voted last year for Grants-in-Aid ought not under any circumstances to be exceeded." The Inspector of Schools in his letter to the Government on the subject says:—"The increase in the above expenditure required for Grants-in-Aid is to be accounted for in the first instance by the increase which has happily taken place in 1880 in the number of schools and scholars placed under the Grant-in-Aid scheme, and secondly by a healthful increase of the cultivation of the higher subjects of an English education, manifested by a larger number of scholars taking up the subjects for which special Grants are paid, viz., Algebra, Euclid, Physical Geography, and Animal Physiology, and Book-keeping. Details concerning the progress which has thus been made, and which has caused the increase in the expenditure incurred under the head of Grants-in-Aid, will be submitted in the usual annual report on Education, which is now in course of preparation."

THE following comments on the Chinese in Singapore are made by the *President* of the Chinese—Societies:—Sociably, the Chinese, though some of them are large land and property owners, who keep their towns and country houses, their homes and cottages, are kept very much to themselves. Some few of the more wealthy and intelligent mix more with Europeans, esp. Italy in State occasions. The Chinese are represented both in the Legislative and Municipal Councils. They are consulted, in all public matters affecting the well-being and prosperity of the colony, through their recognized leaders, and to a large extent are governed and guided in this way. The Chinese are desperately bent on making money, but they can be liberal and generous to a fault. They give from different motives—some to gain a 'big name,' others to 'make merit' after their Buddhist belief. But, whatever the motive, they give away a great deal of their hard-earned 'pil' of dollars. The Chinese 'masses' are quite equal to the Chinese 'classes' in spending money. Witness, the two-thirds of the revenue they waste on their vices, opium and drink, to say nothing about the sum of money spent in gambling, which is common enough in the Straits, though contrary to the written law of the colony. Gambling is openly recognized and licensed in Johore, as well as in the peninsula, where the Chinese, though not much money must also be spent in connection with 'col' plays, but in town and country, in temporary play-houses as in China, or in permanent buildings.

SUPREME COURT.  
IN BANKRUPTCY.  
(Before Mr. A. G. Wiles, Acting Puisne Judge.)

Monday, Feb. 24.

IN THE MATTER OF JO PAK YUN.  
This was a petition by Fung Liung Tsoi, to have Mr. Pak Mui adjudicated bankrupt. Mr. Hastings (of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon) Q.C. appeared for the petitioner.  
Fung Liung Tsoi, the petitioner, examined by Mr. Hastings, said—My Pak Mui owes me £500 for which I produce a promissory note. I have not been paid that money. He is not in the colony; he went away some time last year. As far as I know he went away to avoid his creditors. I went to the country to see him. He said he could make him a bankrupt if necessary, and he handed me his books and asked me to collect the money due to him in the colony.

The petition was granted.

## THE JUBILEE SINGERS.

The audience at the Theatre Royal on Saturday evening, when the Fisk Jutiles Singers gave their first entertainment, was not so large as the performance deserved, but, judging from the impression made by the singing of this company of vocalists, we should say they ought to draw crowded houses this week. The Jubilee Singers' performances have been something of a revelation wherever they have been given, and whatever may have been the anticipations of those who heard them on Saturday for the first time, they could hardly have been prepared for the high degree of art in part-singing which the company showed. From the first item—one of the most pathetic and touching of the slave songs—to the exquisitely-rendered part song with which the programme concluded, the delight of the audience continued to manifest itself in enthusiastic applause. Indeed, if the company had complied with all the demands for 'encores,' the programme would have been twice as long as it was. The Jubilee Singers and the songs which give a unique character to their entertainments—the harmonised slave-songs or 'spirituals'—have been too long before the world now to require any introduction. The original company was organised as long ago as 1871 from among the students of a Free School's in Nashville, and the name of the company had come back from there unsuccessful owing to the hostility of the natives, has been directed to return with a strong military escort. A detachment of troops will accompany him to bring under the islanders whose opposition had daunted the prospecting party. The natives showed fight, and bloodshed ensued before they gained their ends. The military force on the way needs to be strong to overawe the enemy.

The other day in East Java, a band of contraband opium dealers passing through jungle saw two tigers following them hard. They lost not a moment in hastening their steps, but the least number of them found the beasts of prey at his heels when he spied a tiger trap. He crept into it with the forbidden freight on his back. The trap shut the closer for the heavy weight, and when danger no longer threatened, the fellow thought he could lift the door of the trap, but all his efforts proved unavailing. Next day the relation reported to see it clasped in the hope of finding a tiger caught. Their joy no bounds when the prize proved to be a smuggler with 30 catties of opium.

The Chairman—I think the report and accounts must be characterized as satisfactory. They show a steady increase in the Company's profits; and although the losses of 1889 were greater than those of the previous year, we have to expect that as our premia go on increasing, the account for 1888 are now closed by the payment of a final dividend of \$3 per share—making \$6 for the year—and the usual bonus. With your consent \$10,000 can be added to the Reserve Fund, increasing it to \$700,000. There is a very happy decrease in our percentage of losses compared with those of 1888, which are very satisfactory to note. As we have seen, there are often long periods of fire and there is a stoppage for a time. The same thing occurs with marine risks. One year there may be heavy losses while the next may be an exceedingly good one. The accounts for 1889 again show an increase in the amount of premia as compared with 1888. The losses during 1889 are, as I have said, rather more, but they are not very large, seeing that they are under 20 per cent. of the net premia collected. That certainly cannot be called bad. You will see that this Company withdraws from the Volunteer Fire Brigade. The effect of our withdrawal was the breaking of our ranks, which is a matter of regret to myself personally. I think we are indebted to the members of that Brigade for having saved this Company from a good deal of loss. It was also an interesting occupation, if they were not kept too frequently out of their bed—for the young men who composed the Brigade. I think, as far as we can see at present, the abolition of the Brigade has been a benefit, but I am doubtful whether it will always continue to be so. We must make the Government keep up their brigade. They have certainly improved it, but they may fall into carelessness by and by. This company should, I think, at this meeting record their acknowledgement of the valuable services of the Volunteer Fire Brigade. (Applause.) You will see by the accounts that the Shanghai fire-engine was sold to the Municipal Council. The slave-songs, notwithstanding their peculiarities, or perhaps to some extent on account of our taste, are not very satisfactory to us. We must have our Directors and they consider them all perfectly satisfactory. I do not think there is anything else for us to do. The accounts are going to say that although there have been a fair number of fires since the beginning of 1890, we have not lost \$1,000. We hope, now, that the Chinese festivities are over, and that the damp will soon be over—

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Mr. Gaskell seconded and the motion was carried.

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The Chairman intimated that the dividend warrants were not ready and would be posted immediately after the meeting.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.

The annual meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company was held to-day. Hon. P. Ryrie presided, and there were also present:—Messrs. W. H. Forbes, St. C. Michaelson, L. Pococke, B. Layton, H. L. Dairymple and E. Hopius, directors; and Messrs. J. F. C. da Roza, C. A. Ozario, W. H. Gaskell, K. A. Chiny, E. Jones Hughes, Geo. Murray Bain, J. H. Cox, R. Laytall, A. Macnabie, and S. G. Elard, shareholders, and Mr. G. L. Tomlin, acting secretary.

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The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, I propose to take the report and accounts as read, unless I am required by you to do otherwise. I think I may congratulate the shareholders on the very satisfactory statement of accounts as presented to you on the present occasion. Regarding its adoption, however, I will defer that to the next meeting of the shareholders.

Mr. Gaskell said:—The defendant, in respect of the fourth objection Mr. Chapman referred to section 6 of the Ordinance and to the definition of the word 'year' therein. With regard to the second objection Mr. Chapman said that the sub-divisions in the form of requisition were exactly the same as in form 'A' in the schedule, with the exception that there was an additional column for 'shares' and that the numbering of the columns was different. With respect to the third objection, the defendant ordered a statement to be made.

The complainant said:—The defendant is the registered owner of the two houses Nos. 150 Bonham Strand, and 373 Queen's Road Central. I charge that the defendant has made a return which is false in respect of these premises, which is false to his knowledge. The rent returned for 150 Bonham Strand is put down at £30 per annum exclusive of taxes; this actual rent is £30 per annum for which I produce a promissory note. I have not been paid that money. He is not in the colony; he went away some time last year. As far as I know he went away to avoid his creditors. I went to the country to see him. He said he could make him a bankrupt if necessary, and he handed me his books and asked me to collect the money due to him in the colony.

The petition was granted.

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